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FOR EMBASSY CAPE TOWN

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDEV, MZ, ZA, TZ, SF
SUBJECT: PROPOSED CBS REPORT ON MOZAMBIQUE

1. CBS REPORTS HAS APPROACHED US FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING VISAS TO MOZAMBIQUE IN CONNECTION WITH TWO HOUR DOCUMENTARY PROGRAM BY BILL MOYERS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA. CBS HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MOZAMBIQUE PERM REP HERE BUT, WHILE LOBO IS ENCOURAGING, NO RESPONSE HAS COME FROM MAPUTO.
2. CBS WISHES VISA FOR CO-PRODUCER GEORGE CRILE FOR APPROXIMATELY 5 DAY RESEARCH VISIT BEGINNING MARCH 27, AND FOR CO-PRODUCER JUDY CRIGHTON AND FILM CREW AROUND MID-APRIL.
3. WE AGREED TO QUERY EMBASSY TO SEE WHAT, IF ANY, ASSISTANCE EMBASSY MIGHT GIVE IN OBTAINING DECISION ON VISAS.

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4. COMMENT: EMBASSY WILL HAVE TO USE ITS OWN JUDGMENT ON WHETHER TO APPROACH GOVERNMENT OF MOZAMBIQUE. FAILURE OF LOBO TO RESPOND DEFINITELY MAY BE DUE SIMPLY TO POOR COMMUNICATIONS. AMBASSADOR HAS MET WITH CRILE AND CRIGHTON ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS OVER LAST THREE MONTHS. WE ARE IMPRESSED WITH THOROUGHNESS OF THEIR APPROACH. JUDGING BY THE HELPFUL IMPACT OF THE WASHINGTON POST

ARTICLES WE WOULD THINK THAT MOZAMBIQUE WOULD FIND USE-
FUL RESPONSIBLE WESTERN REPORTING. YOUNG

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